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1. The amendment filed on 08 November 2004 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) entered.
- b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

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- d) disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) entered in part. See explanation below.



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Allowed Claims: 2-14.

Informal Examiner's Amendment/Examiner's Comments

Informal Examiner's Amendment

An informal examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

1. In claim 2 (as submitted with the 312 amendment of 11/8/04), in line 10, after "between" insert –the third lens unit and--.

Examiner's Comments

The informal examiner's amendment above was made to correct an apparent typographical error to claim 2 as submitted in the 312 amendment.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jordan M. Schwartz whose telephone number is (571) 272-2337. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday (8:00-5:30), alternate Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Georgia Y. Epps can be reached at (571) 272-2328. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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